

Values Resulting From Community Roundtables Process

(As determined by meeting content analysis conducted by Will Welton at UW – Not ranked or prioritized)

Assure fairness	The dominant goal should be to assure fairness and equity within the health system. This may include movement to a 'universal health system.'
Assure governmental accountability	Government must ensure that the system works. Elected politicians are not doing this and/or governmental institutions are failing in their responsibilities to do this. Continued failure to do this may well (and should probably) result in electoral replacement.
Redesign the health system	The health system is broken. All or part of the system needs to be redesigned. There were many suggestions as to where the re-design emphasis should be: public or private sectors; federal, state, or local jurisdictions; employer, provider, or consumer rules and incentives. Net: net, however, was the sense that systemic redesign is necessary.
Emphasize personal responsibility for healthy living & prevention	Individual responsibility is the single most important determinant of good health. Within this context individuals should assume significant personal responsibility for health maintenance / improvement. Healthy living and prevention is also an excellent way to reduce the demand for and utilization of expensive health services. This is one way in which 'I' (the 'individual') can take control.
Improve health system performance and efficiency	The health system is complicated, fragmented and inefficient. Simplify the system, improve market performance, reduce costs, improve quality, ration or control use of services, reduce duplication & overhead, use a single insurance pool, hold providers and insurers financially accountable for performance.
Provide additional resources	Provide more resources; the current system is stretched too thin. Provide care for those unable to afford it, additional taxes may be required.
Re-allocate existing resources	There are plenty of resources already committed to health care. Re-allocate those resources to assure that appropriate services are provided and appropriate priorities are addressed.
Seek community-based solutions	'Help begins at home' -- Greater emphasis should be given to community-based decision making, community-based solutions, and community support.
Emphasize collaboration and cooperation	Collaborative approaches should be emphasized. Collaborative resource allocation is preferred to market-based resource allocation. Collaboration should take place across sectors, providers, and provider groups, and industry segments.